

Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 25th November 2015
at 7.30 p.m. in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

Present: Cllr K Scott (Chairman), Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chairman), Cllr I Shaw, Cllr G Potter and Cllr J Burton, Cllr S Wilkinson, Cllr R Kay.

In Attendance: Mrs L Evely (Clerk)

Also present: 11 members of the public.

2015. 117 **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:** Nil

2015. 118 **Declarations of Interest.** All Parish Councillors are Trustees of the Village Hall and declare their personal interests in the Village Hall. Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any other interests under the Code of Conduct.

2015. 119 **Minutes of the previous meeting.** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21st October 2015: The minutes were approved, signed and dated by the Chairman.

2015. 120 **Great Ouseburn Parish Council – Co-opting of new Parish Councillors – to fill 2 vacancies:** 2 candidates attended: Mr S Wilkinson a Master of Butchers and has owned 6 shops since the 1960's now retired and would to join the Parish Council and Mrs R Kay who has lived in this area all of her life and now has business in this area also. Mrs Kay is therefore passionate about what happens in this area especially with safety and sustainability issues.

Both candidates were accepted onto the Parish Council with unanimous votes. Paperwork was completed and the clerk to forward to Harrogate Borough Council.

2015. 121 **Public Participation.** Any member of the public present at the meeting may make representations, answer questions or give evidence in relation to the business to be transacted. Members of the council who have a prejudicial interest in relation to any item of business to be transacted may also speak in relation to that matter. *Please note that the Chairman will control this session and will exercise his discretion as to the amount of time allowed for public participation. No decisions are made at this part of the meeting – this will be done by the Council having heard and noted the representations made.* See minute 2015.102.

2015. 122 **Progress Reports.** To receive progress reports as follows:

2015.122.1 LDP Affordable Housing Site, Branton (minute 2012.074 refers): still ongoing but no current news.

2015.122.2 The Free Landing: Sheila Lund has expressed concerns about when the river has flooded and the pontoons have risen that the boat in front is damaging her pontoon. Cllr Potter to contact Amy Tolliday and to have a look at the pontoons when the river has gone down.

2015.122.3 Highways issues: The clerk is to report the following highway defects:

1, Pot hole on Carr Side Road on the bend going outward bound towards Pentys.

2, Metal manhole cover near Tarragoo on Branton Lane has raised and the tarmac surrounding it has broken away making it a trip hazard.

2015.122.4 Tree Management: Nigel Roskilly works are still on going.

2015.122.5 Commuted Sums: no news.

2015.122.6 Fishpond conservation area: Rich Grant is to cut the grass verge when dry from primary school towards Fishpond Bridge against the stone wall.

2015.122.7 Allotments: no news

2015.122.8 Children's Play Area: Roundabout update: RSS informed the clerk the Roundabout is not able to be repaired and needs completely replacing. The money that the Parish Council paid for

the repair will either be deducted from the cost of a new roundabout supplied by RSS once a quote has been received and accepted or will be refunded if requested.

2015.122.9 Green Spaces Consultation: no news.

2015.122.10 Allerton Waste Recovery Park: There is currently a lot of mud on the A168 as the waste recovery site is currently installing a tarmac road on site. The old house that was on site has now been knocked down and the plan was for it to be rebuilt as a visitor centre using the old materials.

Grants are being given out from the Two Ridings Community Foundation for a £1000 each grant. You can apply for as many times as necessary for different projects for example; you can apply for a £1000 grant for advice regarding a wildlife project then apply for another grant for the proposed works.

This was discussed amongst the Councillors and they wish for the Parish Council to proceed to apply for grants for the following projects:

- A new Roundabout for the children's play area.
- Grass Crete for the grassed area next to the village hall to enable parking (Great Ouseburn Village Hall to apply for this)
- Wildlife pond at Fishpond Bridge area. To discuss a feasibility study by Smeadon Foreman in Harrogate.

2015.122.11 The Crown Inn: Cllr Scott and Bernard Jacklin met with Camera where it was agreed to set up an online petition for The Crown Pub.

2015. 123 Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.

2015.123.01 Fourways, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York, North Yorkshire YO26 9RE: 6.80.141.E.FUL 15/04234/FUL Erection of detached dwelling, formation of vehicular access and hard standing (revised scheme): GOING TO PLANNING COMMITTEE ON THE 24.11.15 AT 2PM: Still awaiting to hear regarding the decision.

To note any decisions received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2015. 124 Planning applications

To consider any planning applications received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2015. 0125 Mr M Gath & Mr Steve Balcombe, Yorvik Homes Ltd: Proposed new village pub as part of a development at the land adjacent to Branton Lane: The first steps Mr Gath is taking is to see the local opinions, then a public consultation will be held before going to Harrogate Borough Council with a planning application. There is not a pub currently in the village whereas previously there used to be 3 pubs within Great Ouseburn which all worked well together. The last pub which was open, The Crown has now been closed for 2 years and will not be advertised as freehold for another year.

The scheme proposal: The idea is to retain The Avenue of lime trees which are protected. To build houses but also to give back to the community a pub. There will be a section 106 agreement on the pub. A separate private access road will be made to the detached dwellings at the rear of the car park and a separate access for the pub and letting cottages. The former Crown pub had 20 car park spaces whereas this pub proposes 50 spaces to avoid on street car parking. It is proposed for the pub to have a purpose built Tap room away from the Dining area for locals to enjoy a beverage and also a dining area with good food for locals and surrounding areas to enjoy.

A member of the public from Branton Close queried the noise that may be created from the pub guests leaving. This was answered by it cannot be completely controlled but certain aspects can be controlled by the landlord for example the most noise caused is down to bottles been taken out and the landlord can do this at a certain time of day.

Certain areas are still in discussion and need clarification such as:

- The Drainage on site as there is no current roadside surface water drainage
- Deliveries of stock by Lorries – is the archway big enough for Lorries to pass through? Is there a turning space for lorries?, Will the lorries unload on Branton Lane?.

The chairman also mentioned to Mr Gath that this field was put forward by the Parish Council as a green space but still awaiting a decision.

- 2015. 0126 Tesco Local Community Scheme – new funding for community green spaces – deadline for funding 30th November 2015: too shorter a deadline therefore no further action.
- 2015. 0127 Harrogate Borough Council: Parish Precept Estimates for 2016/2017: Inflate by 2%.
- 2015. 0128 Harrogate Borough Council: Local Plan, Draft Development Management Policies to view and comment on before 19.12.15: The Councillors to review the e-mail again and the clerk to put on the next agenda for discussion.
- 2015. 0129 North Yorkshire County Council: Minerals and Waste Joint Plan – Preferred Options Consultation. Deadline 15.01.16.: Cllr Scott to reply to the consultation.
- 2015. 0130 North Yorkshire County Council Local Transport Plan LTP4 (Phase 2) – Draft Plan – Consultation Invitation. Deadline 30.11.15.: The bus services have increased in the village therefore the Councillors decided a reply to the consultation was not necessary.
- 2015. 0131 North Yorkshire County Council: Urban Grass Cutting payments 2016/2017. The Councillors are to discuss the options and respond by the 30.11.15: The Councillors decided they wish for NYCC to carry on with the works. The clerk will respond.

Items received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date.

- 2015. 0132 **Questions from Councillors.** To consider questions from Councillors: nil.
- 2015. 0133 **Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016.** To consider the statement of accounts for the current year and approve payments therein. The accounts were approved as a true record of information.

P19/15	The Dunsforth (Deposit for senior citizens Xmas Lunch)	£300.00

Current account balance @ 14.11.15:	7,008.39
Deposit account balance @ 30.10.15:	1,410.17
Reserves account balance 14.11.15:	2,093.81
Less unrepresented cheques/transfer:	300.00
Add unbanked receipts/transfers:	500.00
Total:	10,712.37

2015.133.01 North Yorkshire Air Ambulance Annual Donation £50: all present agreed to pay.

2015.133.02 Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch to be held at the Dunsforth @ £21 per head. To be approved: all present agreed to pay.

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- 2015. 0134 **General Circulation Correspondence received – for information only.** This was noted and passed for circulation by the clerk
- 2015. 0135 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council's representatives on the following organisations:
 - 2015.135.01 **Village Hall Committee:** Beer Festival Donation £1000 may have to return £500 as not going ahead with CCTV.
300 club in progress need a 75% take up for it to work. Deadline is the 11th December 2015.
 - 2015.135.02 **Police Liaison Group:** no news

2015.135.03 **Yore Vision:** no news

2015. 0136 **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.** Grants and Harrogate Borough Council: Local Plan, Draft Development Management Policies to view and comment on before 19.12.15

2015. 0137 **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 16th December 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

With there being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm